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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Atsushi MURAKOSHI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2881  
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Application No.: 09/559,345 ) Examiner: Kiet Tuan Nguyen  
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Filed: April 27, 2000 )  
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For: ION GENERATION METHOD AND )  
FILAMENT FOR ION GENERATION )  
APPARATUS )

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

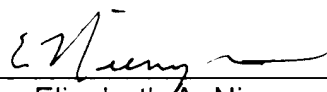
Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of June 20, 2002. October 20, 2002, being a Sunday, a response is now due October 21, 2002, the next business day, with a one-month extension of time. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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